

# **FISCAL NOTE**

## **HB 2389 - SB 2532**

February 7, 1998

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Creates a statewide subsidized safety net of mental health services for individuals not in the priority population who are not Medicaid eligible or otherwise lack access to such services. The Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation is to make grants or payments to community mental health agencies for the provision of such services. Agencies must secure a local funding match of at least 20% and charge and collect fees on a sliding scale. The amount of grants or payments shall not exceed the amount appropriated for this purpose.

### **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**Increase State Expenditures - Exceeds \$2,000,000**

**Increase Local Govt. Expenditures - Exceeds \$400,000/Permissive**

Actual expenditures will depend on the amount of state dollars appropriated and the number of local communities that choose to provide a 20% match. Assumes limited state grants, along with a local match and sliding scale fees, will allow community mental health centers to provide basic mental health services to a non-TennCare eligible population.

### **CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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